

ABSTRACT

NEUROTROPHIC GROWTH FACTOR

5        There is disclosed an isolated nucleic acid  
molecule encoding a human neurotrophic growth factor  
designated enovin and having the amino acid sequence  
illustrated in Figure 1, 21, 23 or 24 or encoding a  
functional equivalent, derivative or bioprecursor of  
10    said growth factor. The growth factor preferably  
comprises the amino acid sequence from position 27 to  
139 of the sequence illustrated in Figure 1, or a  
functional equivalent, derivative or bioprecursor  
thereof. The nucleic acid molecule encoding enovin  
15    can be used to transform a host cell, tissue or  
organism by including it in an appropriate vector.  
The host cell, tissue or organism and the vector also  
form part of the invention.